

Overview

The city of West Haven completed their update to their General Plan and developed a Master Plan for the City Center. A City Hall is the main focus of the master plan with a Senior Center/Library and Public Safety facility flanking each side. There are many other passive elements to the master plan with trails, picnic pavilions and rolling lawn areas. There is also a highly visible corner reserved for a skate park in needed in the future.

2000 Planning Grant Summary

Grant Amount:	\$15,000
Matching Dollars:	\$35,000 (\$2,000 in-kind)
Match:	\$37,000
Project Cost:	\$52,000

West Haven General Plan

Local Responsibility

West Haven hired MGB+A to prepare a master plan for the City of West Haven's new downtown. They worked closely with the City Council, Planning Commission and community to design a facility to meet the growing needs of the City and one that would fit well into a predominantly residential community

State Leadership

The Quality Growth Commission awarded West Haven City with a grant in the amount of \$15,000.

Economic Development

The plan encourages industrial and commercial development in specific areas, with "buffer" zones between these and residential and agricultural zones. Areas for industrial and commercial development have been identified.

Infrastructure Development

A goal of the City is to develop and implement a sewer plan that will connect as many existing homes and all new subdivisions to it. Amend ordinances as necessary to implement. The city expects to provide its own police and fire protection once the population reaches 10,000 people. Until then, they are contracted with Weber County.

Housing Opportunity

Per the General Plan, Goals and Policies: One residential unit per acre density; Provide quality affordable housing units to the residents of West Haven that have a mix of low and high density residential uses along with small neighborhood commercial opportunities; Meet the Utah State affordable housing minimum standard; and Prepare an ordinance that allows for a mixed use ZC high/medium/low density residential and light commercial zone.

Conservation Ethic

Per the General Plan, Goals and Policies: Preserve the remaining open space/rural character that still exists in and around the City of West Haven; Preserve agriculture areas from development and Provide parks and trail systems for the residents in West Haven.

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Steve Anderson-Engineer/Planner

Implementation

West Haven adopted the new General Plan in July 2002. West Haven is also in the process of designing their new city hall.

Promoting Intelligent Growth

The plan is providing for open space as well a variety of residential densities. Previously West Haven only allowed one-acre lots. Since this plan has been implemented, four major developments have started. The City feels and the developers feel that the new plan has helped create nicer subdivisions with amenities that the public can use and enjoy.

Accomplishments

As mentioned above the city has been working with developers to create nice and workable developments. One thing this plan does is from the starting of a development, the City and Developer work together to figure out what will be the best solutions for the development.

Benefits

The City has benefited because they realized that they do have to have a little variety in the City. They can still accomplish goals of open space and preserving agriculture lands with the new plan. The funding helped considerably and because they had funding it helped push the project to completion.